RESOLUTION #2017-____ SUPPORT FOR THE NEW YORK HEALTH ACT A. 4738 (GOTTFRIED)/S.4840 (RIVERA)

- WHEREAS, the New York Health Act ("NYHA") establishes the New York Health program, a comprehensive system of access to health insurance for all New York state residents;
- **WHEREAS**, NYHA provides universal health care coverage with no limitations to selection of health care providers; and
- **WHEREAS**, NYHA would eliminate deductibles and co-pays, and all health care costs would be covered by a payroll tax similar to Medicare and a tax on non-payroll premiums, such as interest, dividends, and capital gains; and
- WHEREAS, the NYHA is estimated to save upwards of \$45 billion for New Yorkers by eliminating current administrative costs and by providing lower cost health care coverage for 98% of residents; and
- **WHEREAS**, access to affordable health care coverage will significantly decrease with the repeal of the Affordable Care Act; and
- WHEREAS, the NYHA has passed the New York State Assembly three times, in 2015, 2016 and 2017; and
- WHEREAS, the NYHA has not passed the New York State Senate; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED that the Enfield Town Board

- finds universal health care coverage is needed for Enfield and New York State residents;
- 2) supports the passage of the New York Health Act;
- 3) will send a copy of this resolution to Governor Andrew Cuomo, Senate Majority Leader John Flanagan, Senator Jeffrey Klein, Senator Kemp Hannon, Senator Gustavo Rivera, Senator Thomas O'Mara, Assembly Speaker Carl Heastie, Assemblyman Richard Gottfried and Assemblywoman Barbara Lifton.